FY 17 Court Automation Coordinating Committee Update

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Project Oversight & Significant Accomplishments of FY17

- Continued tracking tasks and dependencies among trial court automation projects
 - Reviewed 13 separate projects among 5 COT priority categories
 - ▼ 1. Project Scope and Current Phase
 - ▼ 2. Key Upcoming Tasks and Dates
 - **▼** 3. Dependencies on and Connecting Points with Other Projects
 - × 4. Impediments
 - **▼** 5. What Constitutes "Completion" for this Project
 - ★ 6. Planned Completion Date
 - Requested COT to formally categorize projects to be monitored
- AJACS completed 3 release cycles (Summer, Fall, Spring)
- GJ AJACS and eUniversa were refined to enable Yavapai Superior Court production e-filing and rollout to Mohave

Project Oversight & Significant Accomplishments of FY17

- Continued monthly review of LJ CMS-related efforts
 - o Pinal County LJ courts Fall 2016
 - Marana Muni (final Pima court) Winter 2017
 - Maricopa County Muni courts Spring/Summer 2017 (statewide project 25% complete)
 - Gilbert CPOR feed restoration
 - Mesa statewide interfaces construction CPOR and FARE
- Implemented eBench in Mohave, Cochise, and Santa Cruz Superior Courts
- Continued Intresys / eUniversa integration activities
- Implemented multiple AZTurboCourt enhancements, PayPal replacement (nCourt), and fee changes
- Discussed future considerations for trial courts

Future Considerations from CACC Discussion

- 1. Smart forms need to replace static forms in all courts
- 2. The technology gap between haves and have nots <u>must not</u> be allowed to widen
- 3. An increasing cultural emphasis on transparency will emerge at the expense of operational confidentiality
- 4. More legal matters will be handled administratively
- 5. "Bring Your Own Device" will become the prevalent mode of operating with technology, both for court users and court employees
- 6. A statewide continuity of operations plan needs to be formalized for court technology

Major Plans for FY18

- Continue LJ CMS (AZTEC-replacement system) rollout in Yuma and Yavapai counties
 - Remaining Maricopa courts already scheduled for June & Aug 2017;
 Yuma and Yavapai scheduled to complete in FY18
 - Ensure Glendale's local functionality (many custom bolt-ons)
- Merge both LJ and GJ courts into same AJACS codeset at Version 6.0 (yes, we said that last year)
- Complete Scottsdale's new statewide interfaces (if not done by June 30)
- Expand e-filing beyond Mohave to remaining rural superior courts
 - Complete AZTurboCourt integration into eUniversa electronic filing manager
 - Get Maricopa and Pima functioning on eUniversa

Major Plans for FY18

- Expand eBench usage then eFiling to remaining GJ courts
- Complete public access to documents solution (eAccess) for soft release
 - Receive Maricopa data & access to docs before going live
 - Complete document transfer subscription for Coconino
- Resume MCJC small claims e-filing w/ enhanced party matching

Major Plans for FY18

- Consider the implications of *Fair Justice for All* on court processes and automation systems
- Pursue the project tracking course COT directs
 - Determine appropriate frequency and scrutiny levels

Major Items for COT Consideration

- AZTEC replacement must remain Priority One
 - o Don't neglect needed GJ enhancements and 6.0 testing/implementation
- Provide continued funding for LJ CMS training and rollout effort
 - Multiple concurrent implementation teams required to sufficiently cover remaining courts
- Ensure revenue enhancing projects get implemented
 - o eUniversa eFiling approach with eBench for judge review
 - eAccess for statewide access to documents
 - FARE in <u>all</u> remaining courts not yet adopting
- Provide resources and priority for General Jurisdiction CMS enhancements (both old and new); it comes down to priority of resources and development
- Ensure JOLTSaz rural rollout completes

Future Things to Prepare For...

- Ensure smaller, less funded courts benefit from technology innovations of larger, better funded courts
- Focus on making court forms "smart" and their content efileable
- Consider the following macro trends:
 - Cultural emphasis on transparency at expense of operational confidentiality will increase – access protections will wither
 - More legal matters will be handled administratively
 - BYOD will become the prevalent operating mode for technology with both court employees and court users
 - Statutory changes with *Fair Justice For All* will affect court processes and systems; prepare for automation & programming impacts

CACC Project Spending Priorities

1. LJ CMS Training and Rollout

Fund concurrent impl. teams to speed rollout progress

2. Continued GJ CMS Enhancements

- Allocate resources to remaining enhancements from user group and steering committee per COT priorities
- 3. Critical statewide LJ CMS enhancements*
 - When applicable
- 4. Prepare for the coming tidal wave of digital exhibits
 - Once final report of current task force is released